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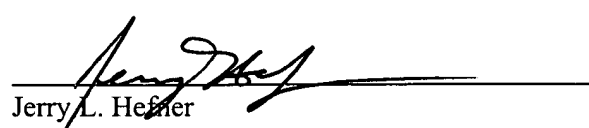
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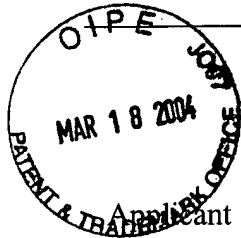
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Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing two (2) references that are also enclosed.

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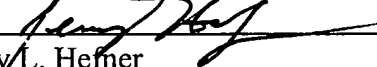
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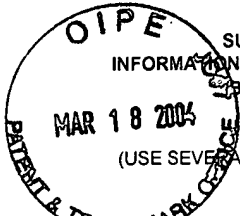
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